The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. As a consumer and American Citizen, I want to have a choice in who will provide my internet service. Without competition, American citizens/consumers, will be FORCED to pay considerably higher prices for internet services and they may not work as well as what they already are using. Consumers will be the losers. With the choice that we have now, if one provider does not work well, we can choose another. If you take this right to choose our internet provider away,

THE AMERICAN CONSUMERS WILL LOSE!

Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.